GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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Increase in Passenger Coaches
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the maximum number of passenger coaches that can be attached to a single train;

(b) whether all trains on the network are running with maximum composition;

(c) if so, the details thereof, division and zone-wise and if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether trains running below maximum composition have high waitlist passenger demand and if so, the details thereof, division and zone-wise;

(e) whether the Railways intends to run such trains with the maximum number of passenger bogies to reduce waitlist tickets demand and if so, the details thereof, division and zone-wise; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) At present, maximum permissible load of a train over Indian Railways is 24 coaches subject to operational feasibility.
(b) & (c) No, Madam. Number of coaches attached in a train is done on the basis of traffic justification, operational feasibility and availability of resources. However, augmentation of coaches in train services on Indian Railways is an on-going exercise.
(d) to (f) Efforts are made to run all the trains (having high waiting list) with maximum permissible load and augmentation of coaches is done every year as per growing passenger demand. Further, extra coaches are also attached temporarily in trains to cater to the high waiting list of passengers during seasonal and festival rush.

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